

Mr. Ismail Hajee Issa Sait (*Mattancheri*): May I know, Sir, who is the distributing agent in Cochin State for the Dalmia Cement Company?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): I do not know.

Mr. President: I think it is Messrs. Harrison and Cross-field.

**ROAD CONNECTING TRICHUR-KADAVALLUR ROAD AND
KADAVALLUR-PALANJI ROAD—PROGRESS
IN CONSTRUCTION OF**

169. Mr. C. V. Iyyu (*Kunnamkulam*): Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether they have taken any steps for the construction of the connection road of the Trichur—Kadavallur road to the Kadavallur—Palanji road as promised in the assurance given in reply to cut motion No. 9. (Public Works) on the 27th July 1940 (Budget Session 1115) moved by Mr. K. R. Viswambharan;

(b) if so, at what stage the construction work has reached?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*):

(a) and (b) A regular estimate for this work is being prepared.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): May I know, Sir, whether the estimates are prepared after deciding upon the question of expending that amount?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): If there is a probability of the work being taken up we prepare the estimate. That will be justification enough to prepare the estimate.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): So no orders have been passed by the Chief Engineer to construct the road?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): I would be very much pleased to construct the road provided there are funds. It costs about Rs. 5,000. We are investigating whether we cannot find savings in some of the road works to take up this work.

**OFFICERS DRAWING SPECIAL ALLOWANCE ON
ACCOUNT OF WAR**

170. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon (*Cranganur*): Will Government be pleased to state whether there are any officers drawing